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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Heshmat et al

Serial no. 10/023,922

Filed: December 18, 2001

For: HYBRID FOIL-MAGNETIC BEARING WITH IMPROVED LOAD SHARING

Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: Dang D. Le

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of two months to respond to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2003. A response (Amendment) in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

Applicant claims small entity status (see 37 CFR 1.27). The fee for a two-month extension of time at the small entity rate is \$210.00. Enclosed is a check for payment thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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